

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L LONDON 08303

DEFENSE FOR ASD/ISA MCGIFFERT; ASD/PA ROSS; CSAF; AND  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY AF CHAYES

E. O. 11652:XGDS-1  
TAGS: UK MPOL MILI NATO  
SUBJECT: RAF GREENHAM COMMON

REF: LONDON 8192

1. POL-MIL ATTACHE WAS TOLD IN STRICTEST OF CONFIDENCE  
THAT UPSHOT OF MEETING 24 MAY WITH WELLBELOVED CON-  
FIRMED AGREEMENT WITHIN MOD STAFFS THAT FAIRFORD,  
FROM UK'S VANTAGE POINT, IS THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE  
TO GREENHAM COMMON FOR KC-135 TANKER DEPLOYMENT. THAT  
IS THE POSITION WHICH WILL BE RECOMMENDED TO MULLEY.  
THIS DECISION WAS REACHED DESPITE EXPECTATION THAT  
USAF CHOICE WILL MOST LIKELY BE BRIZE NORTON. MOD  
OFFICIALS CONCEDE THAT THEIR PREFERENCE FOR FAIRFORD  
DOES NOT EXCLUDE BRIZE NORTON FROM BEING FINALLY AGREED  
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ON. THEY OPINE, HOWEVER, THAT RATIONALE  
WE PUT FORWARD FOR A SITE OTHER THAN FAIRFORD WILL  
HAVE TO BE PERSUASIVE. BRITISH BELIEVE  
THE PLUSES IN FAVOR OF FAIRFORD ARE SUFFICIENTLY  
COMPELLING THAT MULLEY WOULD PUT THE  
CASE FOR FAIRFORD DIRECTLY TO SECDEF SHOULD THE TWO  
SIDES BE UNABLE TO AGREE ON AN ACCEPTABLE SITE DURING

STAFF LEVEL DISCUSSION/NEGOTIATION.

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